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ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN  
ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST OF  
NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS.<sup>1</sup>

THE Committee met in Washington, April 17 to 23. All the members were present and took part in the work, four of them continuously, and three of them during the greater part of the session. Its work was greatly facilitated by previous reference of a large part of the questions to subcommittees, which submitted reports for the information and consideration of the committee on the special questions assigned them for investigation.

As at previous meetings of the Committee, it was found necessary to defer many cases owing to lack of material for their satisfactory investigation. All questions affecting the status of genera, subgenera and higher groups were again deferred. As heretofore, discrepancies in nomenclature arising from taking the 12th instead of the 10th edition of Linnæus's 'Systema Naturæ', and cases already settled by the Committee and raised merely as the expression of an author's opinion or preference, without the presentation of new evidence adverse to the Committee's ruling, were regarded as not requiring reinvestigation.

Several cases of generic names, where the substitution of one name for another depends on whether a name is tenable when merely an orthographical variant of another, were deferred for special consideration at the next meeting of the Committee, to be held in Washington next November.

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<sup>1</sup> Three Supplements have been issued since the publication of the Second Edition of the Check-List in 1895:

Eighth Supplement, Auk, XIV, 1897, pp. 117-135.

Ninth Supplement, Auk, XVI, 1899, pp. 97-133.

Tenth Supplement, Auk, XVIII, 1901, pp. 295-320.

# I. ADDITIONS TO THE CHECK-LIST AND ACCEPTED CHANGES IN NOMENCLATURE.

- 3a. **Fratercula arctica glacialis** (TEMM.). This becomes  
**Fratercula arctica naumanni** NORTON.

*Fratercula arctica naumanni* NORTON, Proc. Portland Soc.  
Nat. Hist. II, May, 1901, 144.

*Fratercula glacialis* (TEMM. Man. d'Orn, II, 1820, 933) was  
originally given exclusively to the American bird recog-  
nized in the Check-List as *Fratercula arctica*, and not to  
the bird which has been commonly known under that  
name, which latter has been properly renamed (*cf.* NOR-  
TON, *l. c.*) *F. arctica naumanni*.

- 51a. **Larus argentatus smithsonianus** (COUES). This is to  
be eliminated from the Check-List as not satisfactorily dis-  
tinguishable from *Larus argentatus*. *Cf.* KNIGHT, Auk, XVII,  
Jan. 1900, 63; DWIGHT, *ibid.* XVIII, Jan. 1901, 58-61;  
ALLEN, *ibid.* XIX, July, 1902, 283.

92. **Puffinus auduboni** FINSCH. An earlier name (*cf.* RILEY,  
Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 195) renders necessary the following  
change

92. **Puffinus lherminieri** LESSON.

*Puffinus lherminieri* LESSON, Rev. Zool. April, 1839, 102.

- 133a. **Anas obscura rubripes** BREWST.

**Red-legged Black Duck.**

*Anas obscura rubripes* BREWST. Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 184.

[B 577, *part*, C 489, *part*, R 602, *part*, C 708, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Atlantic Coast, during migration, from New-  
foundland to Virginia, and west to Arkansas; breeding range  
not definitely known, but includes northern Labrador and Hudson  
Bay region.

211.1. **Rallus scottii** (SENNETT). This is reduced to a subspecies and will stand as

211*b*. **Rallus crepitans scottii** (SENNETT).

*Rallus longirostris scottii* SENNETT, Auk, V, July, 1888, 305.

*Rallus crepitans scottii* A. O. U. COMM.

210.1. **Rallus crepitans waynei** BREWSTER. The number should be corrected to read 211*c*.

GENUS **COLINUS** LESSON (Check-List, 2d ed., p. 106). The authority for the genus should stand (*cf.* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 79) as follows:

GENUS **COLINUS** GOLDFUSS.

*Colinus* GOLDFUSS, Handb. der Zool. II, 1820, 220. Type,  
" *Perdix mexicanus*, Caille de la Louisiana, Pl. Enl. 149"  
= *Tetrao virginianus* LINN.

298. **Canachites canadensis** (LINN.) (Check-List, 2d ed. 111; Ninth Suppl., Auk, XVI, 1899, 107; Tenth Suppl. Auk, XVIII, 1901, 298.).

Since the publication of the second edition of the Check-List No. 298 has been separated into several subspecies, and the group will now stand as 298, 298*b*, and 298*c*; 298*a* being a synonym of 298, as now restricted, is eliminated.

298. **Canachites canadensis** (LINN.).

Hudsonian Spruce Grouse.

*Tetrao canadensis* LINN. S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 159.

*Canachites canadensis* GRANT, Cat. Bds. Br. Mus. XXII, 1893, 69.

GEOG. DIST.—Labrador, Hudson Bay region, and westward to eastern Alaska.

- 298a. **Canachites canadensis labradorius** BANGS. Check-List, Tenth Suppl. (Auk, XVIII, 1901, 298). This is cancelled, being a synonym of No. 298, the type locality of which is Hudson Bay, in the same faunal zone as that of *labradorius*. (Cf. NORTON, Proc. Portland Soc. Nat. Hist. II, 1901, 151, 152).

- 298b. **Canachites canadensis osgoodi** BISHOP. This stands without change, to which is added:

- 298c. **Canachites canadensis canace** (LINN.).

**Canadian Spruce Grouse.**

*Tetrao canace* LINN. S. N. ed. 12, I, 1766, 275.

*Canachites canadensis canace* NORTON, Proc. Portland Soc. Nat. Hist. II, Art. viii, May, 1901, 151.

[B 460, *part*, C 380, *part*, R 472, *part*, C 555, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Northern Minnesota, northern New York, northern New England, New Brunswick, and the Canadian zone of southern and eastern Canada.

310. **Melagris gallopavo** LINN. This is eliminated and is replaced by

310. **Meleagris gallopavo merriami** NELSON.

**Merriam's Turkey.**

*Meleagris gallopavo merriami* NELSON, Auk, XVII, April, 1900, 120.

GEOG. DIST.—Mountains of Arizona, western New Mexico, and probably southwestern Colorado, south to the Mexican border.

- 320b. **Columbigallina passerina bermudiana** (BANGS & BRADLEE).

**Bermuda Ground Dove.**

*Columbigallina bermudiana* BANGS & BRADLEE, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 250.

*Columbigallina passerina bermudiana* A. O. U. COMM.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST. — Bermuda Islands.

349. ***Aquila chrysaetos*** (LINN.). The authority for this combination (*cf.* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 79) is

*Aquila chrysaetos* SPRÜNGLI, in Andreæ's Briefe aus der Schweiz, 1776, 196.

- [370a.] ***Scotiaptex cinerea lapponica*** (THUNB.). The authority and reference for the first description should be

*Strix lapponica* THUNBERG, K. Vet. Akad. nya Handl. XIX, 1798, 184. (*Cf.* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 79.)

- 372a. ***Nyctala acadica scotæa*** OSGOOD.

Northwest Saw-whet Owl.

*Nyctala acadica scotæa* OSGOOD, N. Am. Fauna, No. 21, 1901, 43.

[B 56, 57, *part*, C 328, *part*, R 401, *part*, C 483, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST. — Puget Sound region, north to Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia.

- 393f. ***Dryobates villosus picoides*** (OSGOOD).

Queen Charlotte Woodpecker.

*Dryobates picoides* OSGOOD, N. Am. Fauna, No. 21, 1901, 44.

*Dryobates villosus picoides* A. O. U. COMM.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST. — Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia.

- 403a. ***Sphyrapicus ruber notkensis*** (SUCKOW).

Northern Red-breasted Sapsucker.

*Picus ruber notkensis* SUCKOW, Anfangsgr. Naturg. Thiere, II, i, 1800, 535.

*Sphyrapicus ruber notkensis* RICHMOND, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash.  
XV, 89, April 25, 1902.

[B 87, *part*, C 303, *part*, R 269, C, *part*, C 448, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Western British Columbia, south to the coast region of Washington and Oregon.

439. **Amizilis cerviniventris** (GOULD), Tenth Supplement, Auk, XVIII, 301. This should be corrected (*cf.* Auk, XVIII, p. 436) to stand as follows:

439. **Amizilis cerviniventris chalconota** (OBERH.).

*Amazilia cerviniventris chalconota* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XV, Jan. 1898, 32.

*Amizilis cerviniventris chalconota* OBERHOLSER, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 1899, 207.

GENUS **MILVULUS** SWAINS. (Check-List, 2d. ed., p. 179)  
This must give place to *Muscivora* of earlier date (*cf.* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVIII, April, 1901, 193), which will stand as

#### GENUS **MUSCIVORA** LACÉPÈDE.

*Muscivora* LACÉPÈDE, Disc. du Cours d'Hist. Nat. 1799, 5.  
Type, *Muscicapa forficata* GMELIN.

[442.] **Muscivora tyrannus** (LINN.).

*Muscicapa tyrannus* LINN. S. N. ed. 12, I, 1766, 325.

*Muscivora tyrannus* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVIII, 1901, 194.

443. **Muscivora forficata** (GMEL.).

*Muscicapa forficata* GMELIN, S. N. I. ii, 1788, 931.

*Muscivora forficata* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XVIII, 1901, 194.

[450]. **Myiozetetes texensis** (GIRAUD). This becomes  
**Myiozetetes similis superciliosus** (BONAP.).

*Tyrannus superciliosus* BONAP. P. Z. S. 1837, 118.

*Myiozetetes similis superciliosus* NELSON, Auk, April, 1900, 124.

478d. **Cyanocitta stelleri carlottæ** OSGOOD.

Queen Charlotte Jay.

*Cyanocitta stelleri carlottæ* OSGOOD, N. Am. Fauna, No. 21,  
1901, 46.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia.

480.1. **Aphelocoma cyanotis** RIDGW.

Blue-eared Jay.

*Aphelocoma cyanotis* RIDGW. Man. N. Am. Bds. 1887, 357.

GEOG. DIST.—Mexican tablelands from the City of Mexico north through the States of Mexico, Hidalgo, San Luis Potosi, Coahuila, and Durango; casually to Sutton County, Texas.

The Rio Grande form is

480.2. **Aphelocoma texana** RIDGW.

Texan Jay.

*Aphelocoma texana* RIDGW. Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 70.

GEOG. DIST. — Southwestern Texas, from Concho and Kerr Counties west to the Davis Mountains.

498d. **Agelaius phoeniceus fortis** RIDGW.

Thick-billed Redwing.

*Agelaius phoeniceus fortis* RIDGW. Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci.  
III, April, 1901, 153.

[B 401, part, C 212, part, R 261, part, C 316, part.]

GEOG DIST. — Central North America, breeding northward; in migrations from Manitoba south to Illinois, Indian Territory, and western Texas, westward to and including the Rocky Mountains, and south to Arizona and Chihuahua.

498e. **Agelaius phoeniceus neutralis** RIDGW.

San Diego Redwing.



*Agelaius phoeniceus neutralis* RIDGW. Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci. III, April, 1901, 153.

[B 401, *part*, C 212, *part*, R 261, *part*, C 316, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Great Basin district of United States, south-westward to southern California and northern Lower California.

498f. ***Agelaius phoeniceus caurinus*** RIDGW.

**Northwestern Redwing.**

*Agelaius phoeniceus caurinus* RIDGW. Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci. III, April, 1901, 153.

[B 401, *part*, C 212, *part*, R 261, *part*, C 316, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Northwest coast, in Washington and British Columbia; northern California in winter.

505. ***Icterus cucullatus*** SWAINS. This becomes

***Icterus cucullatus sennetti*** RIDGW.

**Sennett's Oriole.**

*Icterus cucullatus sennetti* RIDGW. Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci. III, April, 1901, 152.

GEOG. DIST.—Lower Rio Grande Valley.

512. ***Quiscalus macrourus*** SWAINS. This proves to intergrade with *Q. major* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci., III, 1901, 152) and should stand as

513a. ***Quiscalus major macrourus*** (SWAINS.).

*Quiscalus macrourus* SWAINS. Anim. in Menag. 1838, 299.

*Scaphidurus major macrourus* RIDGWAY, Proc. Wash. Acad. Sci. III, 1901, 152.

*Quiscalus major macrourus* A. O. U. COMM.

515. ***Pinicola enucleator canadensis*** (CAB.). This becomes

***Pinicola enucleator leucura*** (MÜLLER).

*Loxia leucura* MÜLLER, Volls. Natursyst. Suppl.- und Register-Band, 1776, 150.

*Pinicola enucleator leucura* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 85.

The name *leucura* has many years priority over *canadensis* (cf. RICHMOND, *l. c.*).

544.1. ***Ammodramus sanctorum*** COUES. This becomes

544c. ***Ammodramus rostratus sanctorum*** (RIDGW.).

*Passerculus sanctorum* Ridgw. Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus. V, 1883, 538, 539, in text.

*Passerculus rostratus sanctorum* RIDGW. Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 200.

*Ammodramus rostratus sanctorum* A. O. U. COMM.

546a. ***Ammodramus savannarum perpallidus*** (COUES). This becomes

***Ammodramus savannarum bimaculatus*** (SWAINS.).

*Ammodramus bimaculatus* SWAINS. Philos. Mag. n. ser. I, 1827, 435.

*Coturniculus savannarum bimaculatus* RIDGW. Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 209.

*Ammodramus savannarum bimaculatus* A. O. U. COMM.

It is evident that *Ammodramus bimaculatus* is referable to this form; it has many years' priority over *perpallidus*.

565. ***Spizella atrigularis***. The name *atrigularis* should be changed to ***atrogularis***, to conform to the original spelling. (Cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 322.)

567a. ***Junco hyemalis oregonus***. The name *oregonus* should be changed to ***oreganus***, to conform to the original spelling. (Cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 283.)

576. ***Peucæa arizonæ*** RIDGW., and 577. ***Peucæa mexicana*** (LAWR.) prove to be inseparable from *Peucæa botterii*

(SCLATER), which must take their place in the Check-List.  
(Cf. RIDGWAY, Birds N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, pp. 257-259.)

576. **Peucea botterii** (SCLATER).

**Botteri's Sparrow.**

*Zonotrichia botterii* SCLATER, P. Z. S. 1857, 214.

*Peucea botterii* SCLATER, Cat. Am. Bds. 1861, 116.

[B —, C 170a, R 227, C 253.]

GEOG. DIST.—Mexican plateau, north to the Rio Grande Valley and Southern Arizona.

588e. **Pipilo maculatus magnirostris** BREWSTER.

**Large-billed Towhee.**

*Pipilo maculatus magnirostris* BREWSTER, Auk, VIII, April, 1891, 146 (separates issued Feb. 17, 1891).

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Mountain districts of southern Lower California.

GENUS **EUETHEIA** REICHENBACH (Check-List 2d ed., p. 253) becomes

GENUS **TIARIS** SWAINSON.

*Tiaris* SWAINSON, Philos. Mag. n. ser. I, June, 1827, 438.

Type, *Tiaris pusillus* SWAINS. Cf. RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 87. Nos. [603] and [603.1] will stand as

[603.] **Tiaris bicolor** (LINN.).

*Fringilla bicolor* LINN. S. N. ed. 12, I, 1766, 324.

*Tiaris bicolor* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 87.

[603.1.] **Tiaris canorus** (GMEL.).

*Loxia canora* GMELIN, S. N. I, ii, 1788, 858.

*Tiaris canora* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 87.

612.2. **Petrochelidon melanogastra** (SWAINS.).

**Mexican Cliff Swallow.**

*Hirundo melanogaster* SWAINS. Philos. Mag. n. ser. I,  
May, 1827, 366.

*P[etrochelidon] melanogastra* CABANIS, Mus. Hein. I, 1850, 47.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.— Mexico, south to Guatemala, north into Arizona,  
along the San Bernardino and Santa Cruz Rivers. (Cf. MEARNS,  
Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. XIV, 178, Sept. 25, 1901.

615. **Tachycineta thalassina** (SWAINS.). This becomes

**Tachycineta thalassina lepida** (MEARNS).

Northern Violet-green Swallow.

*Tachycineta lepida* MEARNS, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. XV,  
March 5, 1902, 31.

*Tachycineta thalassina lepida* A. O. U. COMM.

[B 228, C 113, R 156, C 161.]

GEOG. DIST.— Western United States, from the eastern base  
of the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific, north to the Yukon Val-  
ley, south in winter to Costa Rica.

GENUS **CLIVICOLA** FORSTER (Check-List, 2d ed., 259; Ninth  
Suppl., Auk, XVI, Jan. 1899, 131). This becomes

GENUS **RIPARIA** FORSTER.

*Riparia* FORSTER, Syn. Cat. Brit. Bds. 1817, 17. Type,  
*Riparia europæa* FORSTER = *Hirundo riparia* LINN.

*Riparia* has actual priority, as well as page precedence, over  
*Clivicola*. Forster's work was issued in two parts; *Riparia* was  
published in the first part (p. 17), and *Clivicola* in a separately  
issued second part (p. 55), so that *Riparia* has clearly priority  
over *Clivicola*. Hence No. 616 of the Check-List will stand as

616. **Riparia riparia** (LINN.).

*Hirundo riparia* LINN. S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 192.

*Riparia riparia* SHARPE & WYATT, Monogr. Hirundinidæ, 1894, xlv.

631b. **Vireo noveboracensis bermudianus** (BANGS & BRADLEE).

**Bermuda Vireo.**

*Vireo bermudianus* BANGS & BRADLEE, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 252.

*Vireo noveboracensis bermudianus* A. O. U. COMM.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Bermuda Islands. (Under No. 631, omit "Resident in Bermuda.")

631c. **Vireo noveboracensis micrus** NELSON.

**Small White-eyed Vireo.**

*Vireo noveboracensis micrus* NELSON, Auk, XVI, Jan. 1899, 30.

[B —, C —, R —, C —.]

GEOG. DIST.—Northeastern Mexico, northward to Rio Grande Valley, Texas. (Cf. MEARNS, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 87.)

633a. **Vireo bellii pusillus** (COUES). This becomes a full species (cf. GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 187) and will stand as

633.1. **Vireo pusillus** COUES.

681d. **Geothlypis trichas brachidactyla** (SWAINS.).

**Northern Yellow-throat.**

*Trichas brachidactylus* SWAINSON, Anim. in Menag. Jan. 1838, 295.

*Geothlypis trichas brachidactyla* W. PALMER, Auk, XVII, July, 1900, 221.

[B 170, part, C 97, part, R 122, part, C 141, part.]

GEOG. DIST. — Northern Pennsylvania, New York and New England, eastward and northward to Newfoundland and Hudson Bay; south in migration to Cuba and Costa Rica.

703a. **Mimus polyglottos leucopterus** (VIGORS).

Western Mockingbird.

*Orpheus leucopterus* VIGORS, Zool. Voy. Blossom, 1839, 18.

*Mimus polyglottos leucopterus* MEARNS, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 70.

[B 253, *part*, C 8, *part*, R 11, *part*, C 15 *part*.]

GEOG. DIST. — Southwestern United States, from Texas to the Pacific, southward into Mexico and Lower California.

GENUS **HARPORHYNCHUS** CABANIS (Check-List, 2d ed., p. 292) becomes

GENUS **TOXOSTOMA** WAGLER.

*Toxostoma* WAGLER, Isis, May, 1831, 528. Type, *Toxostoma vetula* WAGLER = *Orpheus curvirostris* SWAINS. (Cf. RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, p. 89.)

*Toxostoma* will also replace *Methriopterus* REICH. as a subgenus; *Harporhynchus* is still tenable in a subgeneric sense as now used in the Check-List.

Nos. 705 to 712 will stand as follows:

705. **Toxostoma rufum** (LINN.).

*Turdus rufus* LINN. S. N. ed. 10, I, 1758, 169.

*Toxostoma rufum* CAB. Arch f. Naturg. 1847, i, 207.

706. **Toxostoma longirostre sennetti** (RIDGW.).

*Harporhynchus longirostris sennetti* RIDGW. Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus. X, Aug. 6, 1888, 506.

*Toxostoma longirostris sennetti* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 89.

707. **Toxostoma curvirostre** (SWAINS.).

*Orpheus curvirostris* SWAINS. Philos. Mag. n. ser. I, 1827, 369.

*Toxostoma curvirostris* BONAP. Consp. Av. I, 1850, 277.

707a. **Toxostoma curvirostre palmeri** (COUES.).

*Harporhynchus curvirostris* var. *palmeri* COUES, Key N. Am. Bds. 1872, 351.

*Toxostoma curvirostris palmeri* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 89.

708. **Toxostoma bendirei** (COUES.).

*Harporhynchus bendirei* COUES, Am. Nat. VI, 1873, 330.

*Toxostoma bendirei* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 89.

709. **Toxostoma cinereum** (XANTUS).

*Harporhynchus cinereus* XANTUS, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 1859, 298.

*Toxostoma cinerea* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 89.

709a. **Toxostoma cinereum mearnsi** (ANTHONY).

*Harporhynchus cinereus mearnsi* ANTHONY, Auk, XII, Jan. 1895, 53.

*Toxostoma cinerea mearnsi* RICHMOND, Auk, XIX, Jan. 1902, 89.

710. **Toxostoma redivivum** (GAMBEL).

*Harpes rediviva* GAMBEL, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila. 1845, 264.

*Toxostoma rediviva* GAMBEL, Journ. Acad. Nat. Sci. 2d ser. 1847, 42.

711. **Toxostoma lecontei** LAW. R.

*Toxostoma lecontei* LAW. R. Ann. Lyc. N. Y. V, 1852, 121.

712. **Toxostoma crissalis** HENRY.

*Toxostoma crissalis* HENRY, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Phila.  
1858, 117.

GENUS **ANORTHURA** RENNIE (Ninth Suppl., Auk, XVI,  
1899, 125). *Anorthura* is a strict equivalent of *Troglodytes*.  
Hence *Anorthura* of the Check-List becomes

GENUS **OLBIORCHILUS** OBERHOLSER.

*Olbiorchilus* OBERHOLSER, Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 177.  
Type, *Motacilla troglodytes* LINN.

*Anorthura* RENNIE is a pure synonym of *Troglodytes* CUVIER,  
for which it was proposed as a substitute. Cf. HOWE, Auk, XIX,  
Jan. 1902, 90; OBERHOLSER, *ibid.* Apr. 1902, 175. Hence Nos.  
722, 722a, 722b, 723, and 723.1 will stand as follows:

722. **Olbiorchilus hiemalis** (VIEILL.).

*Troglodytes hiemalis* VIEILL. Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat. XXXIV,  
1819, 514.

*Olbiorchilus hiemalis* OBERH. Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 178.

722a. **Olbiorchilus hiemalis pacificus** (BAIRD).

*Troglodytes hyemalis* var. *pacificus* BAIRD, Rev. Am. Bds. I,  
Sept. 1864, 145.

*Olbiorchilus hiemalis pacificus* OBERH. Auk, XIX, April, 1902,  
179.

722b. **Olbiorchilus hiemalis helleri** (OSGOOD).

*Anorthura hiemalis helleri* OSGOOD, Auk, XVIII, April,  
1901, 181.

*Olbiorchilus hiemalis helleri* OBERH. Auk, XIX, April, 1902,  
179.



723. ***Olbiorchilus alascensis*** (BAIRD).

*Troglodytes alascensis* BAIRD, Trans. Chicago Ac. Sci. I. 1869,  
315, pl. xxx, fig. 3.

*Olbiorchilus alascensis* OBERH. Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 178.

723.1 ***Olbiorchilus meligerus*** (OBERH.).

*Anorthura meligera* OBERH. Auk, XVII, Jan. 1900, 25.

*Olbiorchilus meligerus* OBERH. Auk, XIX, April, 1902, 178.

759. ***Hylocichla aonalaschkæ*** (GMEL.) This becomes

***Hylocichla guttata*** (PALLAS).

**Alaska Hermit Thrush.**

*Muscicapa guttata* PALLAS, Zoog. Rosso-Asiat. I, 1831 (1826),  
465. Type locality, Kadiak Island.

*Hylocichla guttata* BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region, L. Calif. (in  
press).

GEOG. DIST. — Northwest coast region, from Alaska to southern  
British Columbia, and southward in winter.

*Turdus aonalaschkæ* GMELIN (S. N. I, ii, 1788, 808) is based  
on a young bird, and is unidentifiable. *Muscicapa guttata*  
is readily determinable, and has a definite type locality.  
Nos. 759*a*, 759*b*, and 759*c*, will stand as follows:

759*a*. ***Hylocichla guttata auduboni*** (BAIRD).

**Audubon's Hermit Thrush.**

*Turdus auduboni* BAIRD, Rev. Am. B. June, 1864, 16.

*Turdus guttatus*  $\beta$  *auduboni* RIDGWAY, Orn. 40th Parallel,  
1877, 394.

*Hylocichla guttata auduboni* BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region, L.  
Calif. (in press).

759*b*. ***Hylocichla guttata pallasii*** (CAB.).

**Hermit Thrush.**

*Turdus pallasii* CABANIS, Arch. f. Naturg. 1847, i, 205.

*Hylocichla guttata pallasii* FAXON & ALLEN, Bds. Berkshire Co., Mass. 1900, 9 (in Coll. Berkshire Hist. and Sci. Soc. III, No. 2, 113, Feb. 1900).

To the above is now added :

759c. **Hylocichla guttata nana** (AUD.).

**Dwarf Hermit Thrush.**

*Turdus nanus* AUDUBON, Orn. Biog. V, 1839, 201.

*Hylocichla guttata nana* BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region, L. Calif. (in press).

[B 150, *part*, C 4b, *part*, R 5, *part*, C 8, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Pacific coast region, from Washington southward, breeding south to Sierra Nevada region, east in migrations to Nevada and Arizona and south to Lower California and western Mexico.

GENUS **HESPEROCICHLA** BAIRD (Check-List, 2d ed., p. 320). A prior name is found in *Ixoreus* BONAP.

GENUS **IXOREUS** BONAPARTE.

*Ixoreus* BONAPARTE, Compt. Rendus, XXXVIII, 3, note, Jan. 1854. Type, *Turdus naevius* GMELIN.

763. **Hesperocichla naevia** (GMEL.) becomes

**Ixoreus naevius** (GMEL.).

**Varied Thrush.**

*Turdus naevius* GMEL. S. N. I, ii, 1788, 817.

*Ixoreus naevius* RICHMOND, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. XV, 85, April 25, 1902.

763a. **Ixoreus naevius meruloides** (SWAINS.).

**Northern Varied Thrush.**

*Orpheus meruloides* SWAINSON, Faun. Bor.-Amer. II, 1831, 187.

*Hesperocichla navia meruloides* GRINNELL, Auk, XVIII, April, 1901, 142.

*Ixoreus naevius meruloides* RICHMOND, Proc. Biol. Soc. Wash. XV, 85, April 25, 1902.

[B 156, *part*, C 2, *part*, R 9, *part*, C 5, *part*.]

GEOG. DIST.—Interior of northern Alaska and eastward, wintering in southern California.

## II. PROPOSED CHANGES IN NOMENCLATURE NOT ADOPTED.

**Aythya** vs. *Nyroca* (Cf. HOWE & ALLEN, Bds. Mass. 1901, 53).

*Aythya* has been rejected as being a *nomen nudum* (cf. SALVADORI, Cat. Bds. Brit. Mus. XXVII, 1895, 334), but since the species now commonly referred to it were originally placed under it by its author, it cannot be properly construed in that sense. As both *Aythya* and *Nyroca* were published in the same year, with no evidence as to which has priority, there seems to be no good reason for change in respect to the use of *Aythya* in the Check-List.

211. **Rallus crepitans** vs. *Rallus longirostris crepitans* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 315).

There appears to be no good reason for the adoption of *longirostris* in the place of *crepitans* in this and the following case.

211a. **Rallus crepitans saturatus** vs. *Rallus longirostris saturatus* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 315).

232. **Macrorhamphus scolopaceus** vs. *M. griseus scolopaceus* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 316).

Intergradation between the two forms has not been satisfactorily shown.

287. **Hæmatopus bachmani** vs. *H. niger* (PALLAS).

If Pallas's Zoogr. Rosso-Asiat. be taken at 1826, as has uniformly been the case in the Check-List, there is no reason for the proposed change.

317. **Zenaida zenaida** vs. *Zenaida meridionalis* (cf. FORBES & ROBINSON, Bull. Liverpool Mus. I, 1899, 36).

It is evident that the birds identified by Forbes and Robinson as *Zenaida meridionalis*, cannot be the types of Latham's *Columba meridionalis*. (Cf. ALLEN, Auk, XIX, July, 1902, 286.)

320. **Columbigallina passerina terrestris** vs. *C. p. purpurea* (cf. W. PALMER, Osprey, V, 1901, 148).

The reasons for the proposed change are not considered to be well founded.

341. **Buteo albicaudatus sennetti** vs. *B. albicaudatus* (cf. GODMAN, Biol. Cent.-Am. Aves, III, 1900, 58).

There is nothing to show that the Committee was in error in accepting *sennetti* as a subspecies of *albicaudatus*.

358. **Falco richardsoni** vs. *F. columbarius richardsoni* (cf. BISHOP, N. Am. Fauna, No. 19, Oct. 1900, 75).

The status of the form is admittedly in doubt, but on the basis of present evidence no change is deemed advisable.

403. **Sphyrapicus ruber** vs. *S. varius ruber* (Cf. GRINNELL, Condor, III, Jan. 1901, 12).

Intergradation not satisfactorily proved.

*Sphyrapicus ruber flaviventris* (cf. OSGOOD, N. Am. Fauna, No. 21, 1901, 45).

*Picus flaviventris* VIEILL. proves to be a synonym of *Picus ruber notkensis* SUCKOW. (Cf. *antea*, p. 319, under *Sphyrapicus ruber notkensis*.)

*Sphyrapicus varius daggetti* GRINNELL, Condor, III, Jan. 1901, 12.

Suckow, in 1800, gave a new name (*notkensis*) to the northern form, which restricts the name *ruber* to the southern form named *S. v. daggetti* by Mr. Grinnell.

417a. **Antrostomus vociferus macromystax** vs. *A. macromystax* (cf. RILEY, Osprey, V, 1901, 101).

No change considered necessary until further evidence of the distinctness of the two forms becomes available.

460. **Contopus pertinax pallidiventris** vs. *Horizopus musicus* (cf. SHARPE, Hand-List, III, 1901, 141).

*Tyrannula musica* Swains. (in place of *pertinax*) is not considered as satisfactorily identifiable.

466. **Empidonax traillii** vs. *E. pusillus* (cf. SHARPE, Hand-List, III, 1901, 138).

469. **Empidonax wrightii** vs. *E. obscurus* (cf. SHARPE, l. c.).

As there is no new evidence presented, the Committee sees no reason for reversing its previous carefully considered ruling on these two cases.

523. **Leucosticte griseonucha** vs. *L. tephrocotis griseonucha* (cf. GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 20; RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I. 1901, 72).

Evidence of intergradation does not appear to be sufficiently strong to warrant the Committee in reversing, at present, its decision in relation to the status of these forms.

**Peucaea** vs. *Aimophila* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I. 1901, 230.).

Although there is admittedly no distinct line of demarkation between the two groups, as they are commonly recognized, there

seems to be no reason for disturbing the present nomenclature of the Check-List by introducing the proposed change.

549.1. **Ammodramus nelsoni** vs. *A. caudacutus nelsoni*, and

549.1a. **Ammodramus nelsoni subvirgatus** vs. *A. caudacutus subvirgatus* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Middle Am. I, 1901, 221 and 223).

The evidence is insufficient to warrant a change from the Committee's previous ruling (cf. Ninth Suppl., Auk, XVI, 1899, 117, 118).

583a. **Melospiza lincolni striata** vs. *Melospiza lincolni* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 376).

There is fairly good ground for the recognition of *striata* as a subspecies.

600a. **Cyanospiza versicolor pulchra** vs. *C. versicolor* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 205).

As *C. v. pulchra* is a fairly stable form in Lower California, there seems to be no reason why the occurrence of intergrades in western Mexico should invalidate it as a reasonably good subspecies of *versicolor*. (Cf. BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region, L. Calif., in press).

617. **Stelgidopteryx serripennis** vs. *S. ruficollis serripennis* (cf. BANGS, Proc. N. Engl. Zool. Club, II, 1901, 60).

The proposed change not considered expedient.

612. **Petrochelidon lunifrons** vs. *P. pyrrhonota* (cf. SHARPE & WYATT, Mon. Hirun. II, 523).

There is no new evidence to show that the change is necessary.

**Sciurus** vs. *Henicocichla* (cf. DUBOIS, Syst. Av. 1901, 436).

Dubois emends *Sciurus* to *Siurus* and then rejects it as too near *Sciurus*!

- 681b. **Geothlypis trichas ignota** vs. *Geothlypis trichas roscoe* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 318).

The reasons advanced in support of the proposed change are not satisfactory.

**Troglodytes** vs. *Hylemathrous* (cf. HOWE & ALLEN, Bds. Mass. 1901, 92; HOWE, Auk, XIX, 89).

*Hylemathrous* is a pure synonym of *Thryothorus*, and has no bearing on *Troglodytes*. (Cf. OBERHOLSER, Auk, XIX, 1902, 175.)

**Anorthura** vs. *Troglodytes* (cf. HOWE, Auk, XIX, 1902, 90).

*Anorthura* was proposed as a substitute for *Troglodytes* and is hence a synonym of it. See *antea*, p. 329, where *Anorthura* is replaced by *Olbiorchilus*.

756. **Hylocichla fuscescens** vs. *Turdus minor* DUBOIS, Syn. Av. 1901, 402.

*Turdus minor* GMEL. is not regarded as satisfactorily identifiable.

### III. SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES NOT ACCEPTED.

*Tyrannus tyrannus vexator* BANGS (cf. MEARNs, Auk, Jan. 1902, 72).

A reëxamination of the case confirmed the Committee in its former ruling (cf. Ninth Supplement, Auk, XVI, July, 1899, 131), that the ascribed characters were too slight for recognition in nomenclature.

*Passerculus sandwichensis labradorius* HOWE, Contr. N. Am. Orn. I, Oct. 14, 1901, 1.

Considered to be inseparable from *Ammodramus sandwichensis savanna*.

*Ammodramus sandwichensis xanthophrys* GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 21.

Not distinguishable from *A. sandwichensis alaudinus*.

*Ammodramus caudacutus diversus* BISHOP, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 269.

Found to be similar to examples from the coast of New Jersey and Long Island, and hence not separable from *A. caudacutus*.

*Cardinalis bermudianus* BANGS & BRADLEE, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 256 (June 30, 1901).

*Cardinalis cardinalis somersi* VERRILL, Am. Journ. Sci. (4) XII, July, 1901, 65 (June 30, 1901).

The characters assigned to the Bermuda bird are considered as too slight and inconstant to require recognition in nomenclature.

*Zamelodia melanocephala capitalis* (BAIRD). Cf. MCGREGOR, Condor, III, 1901, 41.

This is an earlier name for *Z. melanocephala microrhyncha* Grinnell, previously rejected by the Committee as not entitled to recognition (cf. Tenth Supplement, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 313).

*Vireo pusillus albatrus* GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 187.

Not satisfactorily distinguishable from *V. pusillus*. (Cf. BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region L. Calif., in press.)

*Galeoscoptes bermudianus* BANGS & BRADLEE, Auk, XVIII, July, 1901, 253.

Not distinguishable from *G. carolinensis*.

*Hylocichla aonalaschke verecunda* OSGOOD, Auk, XVIII, April, 1901, 183.

Rejected as being the same as *Turdus nanus* AUD., which, as *Hylocichla guttata nana*, is adopted (*antea*, p. 331) as the name of the Dwarf Hermit Thrush. (Cf. BREWSTER, Bds. Cape Region L. Calif., in press.)



*Sialia sialis bermudensis* VERRILL, Am. Journ. Sci. (4) XII, July, 1901, 65.

Differences too slight and inconstant for recognition.

#### IV. DEFERRED FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

**Cyclorrhynchus** vs. *Phaleris* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 314).

52. **Larus vegæ** vs. *L. argentatus* (cf. Kobbé, Auk, XIX, 1902, 19-24).

68a. **Fulmarus glacialis minor** vs. *F. glacialis*.

94. **Puffinus fuliginosus** vs. *P. griseus*.

120. **Phalacrocorax dilophus** vs. *P. auritus*.

121. **Phalacrocorax mexicanus** vs. *P. vigua mexicanus*.

123a, 123b. **Phalacrocorax pelagicus robustus et resplendens** vs. *P. pelagicus*.

124. **Phalacrocorax urile** vs. *P. bicristatus*.

127. **Pelecanus californicus** vs. *P. fuscus* [= *occidentalis*] *californicus*.

**Olor** vs. *Cygnus*.

The preceding seven cases, left over last year (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 314, 315), still remain unsettled.

193. **Ardea wardi** vs. *A. herodias wardi* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 315).

*Rallus levipes* BANGS, Bull. N. Engl. Zool. Club, I, 1899, 45.

Referred to Mr. Brewster as a subcommittee.

216.1. **Porzana coturniculus** (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 316). Referred to Mr. Brewster as a subcommittee.

[230.1.] **Gallinago major** vs. *G. media* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 315).

277a. **Ægialitis meloda circumcincta** vs. *Æ. meloda* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 316). Referred to Dr. Dwight as a subcommittee.

*Buteo borealis umbrinus* BANGS, Proc. N. Engl. Zool. Club, II, 1901, 67.

**Strigidae** vs. *Aluconidae*, and **Strix** vs. *Aluco* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 316).

377. **Surnia ulula** vs. *S. ulula doliata* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 316).

**Nyctala** vs. *Cryptoglaux* (*cf.* RICHMOND, Auk, XVIII, 1901, 193).

*Picoides arcticus tenuirostris* BANGS, Auk, XVII, 1900, 131. Still deferred, owing to lack of material.

**Antrostomus** vs. *Caprimulgus* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 317).

**Contopus** vs. *Horizopus* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 317).

*Contopus richardsoni saturatus* BISHOP, Auk, XVII, 1900, 116. Again deferred on account of lack of material.

**Coccothraustes** vs. *Hesperiphona* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 57).

**Ammodramus** vs. *Passerculus* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 187).

**Ammodramus** vs. *Centronyx* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 202).

**Ammodramus** vs. *Coturniculus* (cf. RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 205).

501a. **Sturnella magna hoopesi** vs. *S. magna mexicana*.

501b. **Sturnella magna neglecta** vs. *Sturnella neglecta*.

*Sturnella magna argutula* BANGS.

The *Sturnella* cases (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 317) were again deferred on account of lack of time and material for their proper investigation.

*Loxia curvirostra bendirei* (cf. MERRIAM, N. Am. Fauna, No. 16, 1899, 123; RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 50).

567b. **Junco hyemalis connectens** vs. *J. oreganus shufeldti* (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 285).

567c. **Junco hyemalis thurberi** vs. *Junco oreganus thurberi* (cf. RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 287).

567d. **Junco hyemalis pinosus** vs. *Junco oreganus pinosus* (cf. RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 288).

568.1. **Junco annectens** (Eighth Suppl., Auk, XIV, 1897, 129); eliminated as a hybrid between *J. caniceps* and *J. mearnsi* (cf. RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 276).

570a. **Junco phæonotus dorsalis** vs. *J. dorsalis* (cf. RIDGWAY, *l. c.* 397).

574a. **Amphispiza belli nevadensis** vs. *A. nevadensis* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 318).

**Melospiza melodia** vs. *M. cinerea*, involving the names of all the members of the group (cf. RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 349-378), the question of the status of the forms treated by Mr. Ridgway as subspecies of *M. cinerea*, and of several forms deferred last year (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 318).

These questions were all referred to a subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. Brewster, Stone, and Dwight, to report upon at the next meeting of the Committee.

**Passerella** (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 318).

The consideration of the subspecies of the *Passerella iliaca* group was referred to a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Brewster, Dwight, and Stone.

**Pipilo fuscus carolæ**, and three other forms of the *P. fuscus* group, as recognized in the Check-List, whose status or relationships have been recently questioned.

Referred to Messrs. Brewster, Dwight and Stone as a subcommittee for consideration.

602. **Sporophila morelleti sharpei** vs. *S. morelleti* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 575).

SUBFAMILY **Ptiliogonatinæ** vs. Family *Ptiliogonatidæ* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 21).

*Lanius ludovicianus migrans* W. PALMER (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 318).

Referred to Dr. Merriam as a subcommittee.

SUBFAMILY **Miminæ** vs. Family *Mimidæ* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 23).

*Geothlypis trichas sinuosa* GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 65.

*Geothlypis trichas scirpicola* GRINNELL, Condor, III, 1901, 65.

*Salpinctes obsoletus pulverius* GRINNELL, Auk, XV, 1898, 238.

Again deferred, owing to lack of material.

SUBFAMILY **Sittinæ** vs. Family *Sittidæ* (*cf.* RIDGWAY, Bds. N. and Mid. Am. I, 1901, 22).

740a. **Parus hudsonicus stoneyi** vs. *Parus h. evura* (*cf.* Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 319).

Again deferred.

742a. ***Chamæa fasciata honslawi*** vs. *C. fasciata*, and

*Chamæa fasciata intermedia* (cf. Tenth Suppl., Auk, XVIII, 1901, 319).

The *Chamæa* cases were referred to Dr. Merriam as a sub-committee.

*Hylocichla aonalaschkæ slevini* GRINNELL, Auk, XVIII, 1901, 258.

All the cases involving the question of generic or subgeneric rank, scheduled in the Tenth Supplement (Auk, XVIII, 1901, pp. 319, 320); also the several new questions of like character, and of the family and subfamily rank of certain groups (as listed above), were necessarily deferred.